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Advisory Board Meeting.

The regular December meeting of the Advisory Board was held in Silliman Hall Wednesday night. The following slate of officers was nominated by the Board and will go before the Athletic Association this noon: President, Dr. Wood; vice-president, Prof. Ward; secretary, MacMartin or McCarthy, '08; Treasurer, Prof. Miller; Sophomore representative, Getman, '09; Freshman representative, Moore or Leavenworth, '10; football manager, Pratt, '08; assistant manager, A. Osborn, '09; alumni representatives, President M. W. Stryker, Mr. Calder, '86, Mr. C. B. Rogers, '87, Prof. A. P. Saunders, Dr. H. C. G. Brandt, '72, Mr. G. E. Dunham, '79, Mr. Joseph Rudd, '91, Mr. R. U. Sherman, '05, Mr. Clinton Scollard, '81, Prof. White, '98, Dr. Davenport, Mr. Spencer Kellogg, '88.

The following men were voted eligible to wear the football H: Swetman, Barrows, Kuolt, and Schwartz, '07; H. K. Holley, Cody, White, F. D. McLean and Williams, '08; Spencer, Thomas, Welch, Wilson and H. Osborn, '09; Leavenworth, '10.

The basket-ball schedule as printed below was approved.

- Jan. 12—Rochester, at Rochester.
18—Union, at Clinton.
23—Syracuse, at Syracuse.
26—Rochester, at Clinton.
31—Buffalo, at Clinton.
Feb. 11—Syracuse, at Clinton.
15—Auburn Sem., at Clinton.
22—Colgate, at Hamilton.
25—Williams, at Williamstown.
26—Wesleyan, at Middletown.
27—Brown, at Providence, R. I.
28—Union, at Schenectady.
March 4—Colgate, at Clinton.

Union was approved for the track schedule.

Colgate, Rochester, Union, Williams, Wesleyan, Amherst, Troy, St. Lawrence, Syracuse, Cornell and Trinity were approved for the football schedule.

A proposition was introduced to pay the expenses of those who sustained injuries in football this season. After considerable discussion it was decided that such a precedent, if established, would be more of a financial burden than the association could stand. It was thot that the proposition might properly be put to the college body.

A. A. Meeting Today.

The Athletic Association will hold a meeting directly after noon chapel today. The recommendations of the Advisory Board will be acted upon.

After the association business has been transacted there will be a short but very important college meeting. Several matters of considerable interest are to come before the college.

Delta Upsilon Informal.

Last week Tuesday evening the Hamilton Chapter of Delta Upsilon held an informal at their house. Mrs. Shepard, Mrs. Rice, Mrs. Ward and Mrs. White acted as patronesses. The guests were Mrs. Ward of Buffalo, Miss Fay and Miss Fuller of Aurora, Miss White of Skaneateless, Miss Doudler and Miss Perkins of Ilion, Miss Worden of Westmoreland, Miss Stone of Camden, Miss Dunmore, Miss Hague and Miss Winchell of Utica, Miss Coleman and Miss Williams of Clinton.

Hamilton 60, Waterville 9.

Last Saturday the basket-ball team opened the season by overwhelming Waterville Y. M. C. A. 60-9. During most of the game the team work of Hamilton was good, but there were times when the game became slow and seemingly aimless. After one of these periods, however, the team always braced up and did some really fast work. On the whole the game was very encouraging and the team seems to have bright prospects. Captain Kuolt and Wilson excelled for Hamilton, the former's floor work being especially good.

Waterville won the toss and elected to shoot for the wire basket. Hamilton started in with a rush and made the score 35 to 5 in the first half, Waterville making their only field goal in this half. In the second half Hamilton substituted four men from the scrub, F. Smith the only regular remaining.

The line-up follows:

Hamilton 60.	Waterville 9.
Left Forward.	
Welch (Bate).	Wunsch.
Left Guard.	
E. Smith.	Westcott.
Center,	
Wilson (Sherwin).	McClenthon.
Right Forward.	
Kuolt (Capt.), Judson.	Cronin.
Right Guard.	
Henderson (Meeker).	Yale (Capt.)

Time of halves, 15 and 20 minutes. Referee—Getman, of Waterville. Umpire—Gordon, of Hamilton. Goals from field—Westcott 1, Welch 6, Henderson 1, Smith 6, Sherwin 1, Wilson 8, Kuolt 7. From fouls—Kuolt 2, Yale 7.

The Sidewalk.

The sidewalk committee, composed of Swetman, '07, Williams, '08, and Wallace, '09, has done its work and a solid wooden walk, with appropriate safeguards at the Arbor, now graces the Hill. The same now remains to be paid for and must be paid for this term. Kellogg & Sons, of Utica, furnished the lumber at cost on thirty days' time. It is charged to Mr. Wallace because he has credit there and the college body has not. He has seen fit to take the risk and the college must back him up in it and see that the bills are paid before the end of this term. The items follow:

Lumber, Kellogg & Sons	\$94.00
Labor, 4½ days	12.25
Nails, 80 pounds at 3c.	2.40
	\$108.65

A Retrospect.

The basket-ball season of 1906 has long been history, but it is of the kind we like to read. The team of 1905-1906 was one of the best we ever had. They played a hard schedule and played it well. Against our opponents' 342 points we scored 517 points. Never before had we met Trinity, Wesleyan, or Dartmouth in basket-ball, and altho we did not win from them all we played creditable games against them. We defeated Rochester on her floor and in our Gym., something we had not done in some time. Last season we had a coach and training table. Both resulted successfully. The New England trip was an experiment and was so satisfactory that it is to be repeated this year. We defeated Trinity, played Wesleyan a fast game with a tie score and lost to Williams after a hard struggle. Best of all, the trip left a very good impression of Hamilton and her teams among the New England colleges. The great disappointment of the season was the Dartmouth game. First, we lost money on it, and secondly, they did not seem to be animated with a spirit of fair play in that game. Be that as it may, they won in a game in which they had to fight for every basket.

The expenses of the season were heavy, but the support of the college, barring the Dartmouth game, was good, so that the management was solvent at the end of the season. All credit is due to Coach Watson and Captain Sherman and the squad for their work during the season.

This year we miss Bramley, Sicard, Sherman and LeMunyan, but there is good material in college and Captain Kuolt is whipping it into good shape. Being without a coach puts a strain on him, but he is carrying the work well and 1907 promises to be a very successful season.

1906 Convivial.

Last Saturday the class of 1906 held its first reunion. The event, which took place in the form of a banquet at the Cafe Martin, New York, was planned by Benedict and Gentes. They reminisced and dug up jokes old on the "Hill," tarrying at the table until after the curfew had rung out up here in the chapel. Finally Benedict expressed a desire to see Broadway by night and reluctantly they agreed, for they had had a "hunch" that a theater was coming. But "Benny," who was treasurer, had the same old cramp that had won him the sponge on class day.

Soon Broadway grew tame and then Warburton — our once Y. M. C. A. "Warbie" — led them down the labyrinth to the "Little Hungarian," which is situated in Bohemia. Then, Freshman once more, "Broke" forgot his position as a financier, Sicard his dignity and Spedick his legal air. (Benny didn't have to forget anything).

But now, alas! the hour was approaching when the last suburban trains pulled out. So they held a class meeting at which Gentes and Warburton were appointed to plan another "round-up" for February. Then with a "long rah" yell the representatives of '06 disbanded.

Those present were: Barrows, Brokaw, Benedict, J. D. Clark, Gentes, LeMunyan, Sicard, Spedick and Warburton.

Wrestling.

Since the new wrestling mat was placed in the Gym. thru the generosity of the Freshmen, much interest has been taken in wrestling. Many fellows have taken up the sport seriously and have been spending considerable time in practice. We can not say too much in praise of this. We would like to see more interest in it and more concerted action by the college. A regular tournament between classes, with the winner in each class to wrestle the champions of the other classes, has been suggested. Such tournaments are held in other colleges with great success. At Cornell the interclass champion is quite a hero.

A tournament could be arranged and tickets sold for say 25 cents. One hundred and sixty paid admissions, a conservative estimate, means \$40. For that amount some very decent medals could be secured without costing anyone any money. Perhaps a cup could be secured also, for the winning class to hold. The project is well worth serious thought and discussion.

Among the Colleges.

Syracuse University is to organize a Lacrosse Club.

A new journal is to be published monthly at Syracuse University.

Brown is one of the small colleges that bars first year men from her football team.

At Williams, next spring, there will be a competition in punting and drop-kicking. An alumnus has offered cups to be awarded to the winners.

The Williams Record contains a picture of Harry Watson, who coached the Hamilton team in 1905. He was head field coach at Williams this past season and did much toward making the Williams team a winning one.

A fund of \$2,000,000 has been given by Mrs. Russell Sage to found a college at Far Rockaway. The college will be known as Sage College, and will be surrounded by a park to be called Russell Sage Park. It is understood that a large sum will be set aside on the death of Mrs. Sage as an endowment fund.

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WE WANT TO SEE MORE interest in the Press Club. The fellows who are now working at it should not be left to do it alone, but should have some assistance. Every man who can write at all should attempt to correspond for some newspaper or school paper. Then come to the meeting in No. 5 Carnegie, at 5 p. m. Tuesday, and talk it over. Come anyway and get some ideas on the work of the club.

IN A COLLEGE MEETING this noon the question of challenging to debate some college or university will come up. The advisability of this proposition is obvious and, we believe, needs no argument. The college should vote unanimously to support it. A manager, preferably one who is likely to be on the debate team, should be appointed by the president of the Senior class. If the proposition is received favorably by the college there will probably be little trouble in arranging for a debate with some worthy institution.

NEW THINGS MUST PASS THRU the chastening fire of thoro trial before public opinion affixes its official seal

of approval or even of tolerance. Especially is this fact true in the small college, and undoubtedly so at Hamilton. Nevertheless thoughts of the "what-might-be" and the "what-could-be" come before each of us when things crop out that are not in accordance with our own personal segment of collegiate "public opinion."

Changes are constantly being made, some for the better, some for the worse. Each of these at some time is exposed to either public or private debate, or else their life would pass out in the inception. For instance, the matter of athletic insignia is ever before us. The laws regarding this phase of collegiate reward for services rendered should be, *must* be, iron-clad and inviolable. The matter of football sweaters came up, and was heatedly discussed in open meeting only last year. Some entirely unofficial, and surely unofficial, suggestions perhaps would not be amiss, both on that subject and kindred ones.

Why not such a plan as this? All football men be entitled to wear a white sweater with a Shaker neck, no sweater vests, with the regulation blue *block* letter. The football letter is admittedly the most important of all insignia. Limit the wearing of white sweaters with the block letter to football 'varsity men, and to them alone! For baseball the same kind of a sweater, but in blue with a blocked buff letter a trifle smaller than the football letter. Restrict this honor to baseball men, and to *them alone*. For track, a white V-necked sweater with an *unblocked* blue letter. Let this be their own particular insignia and restrict it to them. For the 'varsity basketball men, a blue sweater vest of the same style as the track, with a plain unblocked *buff* letter. For tennis the present insignia fits in nicely with the above plan. Thus we would have the various insignia absolutely differentiated. The insignia would stand for exactly what the man has done and not for what he has probably done. Let there be an exactly regulated track shirt—the same year after year. Those who have previously earned the right to the letter on the

track, should wear the letter on their track shirts—a small unblocked H on a blue shirt. Those not in competition, but holders of the letter, should also have a distinct uniform. What better than the buff H in the middle as the H men have, and on either side two smaller A's? This is the system in use in most colleges and is surely a good one. When the track man graduates from obscurity by winning his letter, off come the initials of the "Athletic Association." Carrying this still further, as they do in Ithaca, let the man who has won a first in the Intercollegiate, as an added honor, wear a buff stripe from his right shoulder to his belt on the left side—a stripe of perhaps three inches in width. How much better this would be than the present unlovely combinations that we show when our track team competes! Why not settle the matter of uniform and insignia definitely and in good shape rather than have it run along as it is now in doubt and uncertainty?

As a side note, the belt on the track trunks and blue stripes on the sides and around the lower border, adds much to the appearance of the uniform. Why not cater a little to appearance? We take pains with our individual daily dress, why not also with our representative uniform?

Caps, too, should come in for their share of attention. A prominent sporting goods firm makes up very attractive monograms for caps. We could easily obtain good-looking monograms with the letters F and B worked together with the H. This would serve to differentiate the football men from those in baseball whose caps would bear the letters BB together with the H. AA for the track team and some distinctive monogram for basketball. Let these four principal branches have blue caps with buff monograms, and tennis white with its insignia in blue. All caps with the full numerals to be in blue with the figures in buff. The old custom of caps in class colors, with but two numerals and the apostrophe on them, would be in no way interfered with by this.

Class numerals could be and should

be made more of than they are at present. No class numerals should be given for merely competing against another class in college—either in football or baseball or anything else. They should be awarded to the men of the scrub and considered by those men second in value only to the letter itself. They should never be awarded by the class, but by the same men and in the same manner as are awarded the regulation letters. They should be given to those who have played in parts of two, or one whole regularly scheduled contest. They should be the partial reward for those who slave on the scrub and yet miss the coveted H. Some will take the stand that they should be awarded to the various class teams. Remember you who do take this stand, that the class teams are at best but nondescript organizations, usually with no regular schedule, and the result of haphazard selection and not of honest and persevering effort. Under this new system the class numerals would be a prize indeed instead of the approach to a scurf they now are. They should correspond with the branch of athletics that they represent. Blue numerals on white sweaters for football, smaller numerals of blue on V-necks for track, buff numerals on blue sweaters for baseball, and smaller ones for basket-ball. Small ones in blue with the crossed tennis rackets, to correspond with the varsity insignia for tennis. What abuses this would do away with! Numerals on all kinds of sweaters, in all shades and colors, worn by but a few, and unimportant, would be a thing of the past, and the long-sought for reward for the faithful scrub would be found. Legislation along these lines would be easy. The expense would be no more, as all insignia of this kind should be paid for by the individual. There is but little going on now. Why not some discussion of these points? If the college will talk them over now, the time will soon be ripe for proposing these ideas in the form of a set of rules.

—Meeker, '07, has the proofs for the pictures of the Glee and Instrumental Clubs.

Exam. Schedule.

The following is the schedule for exam. week, approved by the faculty:

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14.

Seniors—a. m., Philosophy, French IV.

Juniors—a. m., American History; p. m., Chemistry.

Sophomores—a. m., French Cl., in Ex. Hall; p. m., Chemistry L. S.

SATURDAY, DEC. 15.

Seniors—a. m., Geology; p. m., History of Education, English Literature.

Juniors—a. m., Psychology.

Sophomores—a. m., Latin.

Freshmen—a. m., Outlines of History, Greek Cl., in Ex. Hall.

MONDAY, DEC. 17.

Seniors—a. m., German, Chemistry; p. m., American History, Latin.

Juniors—a. m., French Cl., Sociology.

Sophomores—a. m., French L. S.; p. m., German Cl.

Freshmen—a. m., Epistle of James.

TUESDAY, DEC. 18.

Seniors—a. m., History of Modern Europe, Zoology; p. m., Greek, Spanish.

Juniors—a. m., Biology, Zoology L. S.; p. m., Latin, Spanish.

Sophomores—a. m., Biology L. S.

Freshmen—a. m., Latin.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 19.

Seniors—a. m., Ethics.

Juniors—a. m., English Literature, Calculus; p. m., Greek.

Sophomores—a. m., Analytic Geometry.

Freshmen—a. m., Elocution.

THURSDAY, DEC. 20.

Seniors—a. m., Finance, Hebrew; p. m., German Phonology.

Juniors—a. m., Mineralogy; p. m., German.

Sophomores—a. m., Greek; p. m., German L. S.

Freshmen—a. m., English Composition.

FRIDAY, DEC. 21.

Seniors—a. m., Evidences of Christianity.

Juniors—a. m., Church History.

Sophomores—a. m., Studies of the Life of the Apostle Paul.

Freshmen—a. m., Algebra.

Prex. at His Best.

Dr. Stryker's sermon Sunday morning was one of such unusual strength as to merit special recognition and mention. He spoke of the influence one life has on the others with which it comes in contact. In a very impressive manner he paid tribute to some of the men who are remembered by windows in the chapel, mentioning Hamilton, Kirkland, Backus, Root, North, Hopkins, dwelling especially on Dr. Backus, the first president of the college for whom was built the house which Mr. de Regt now occupies. He also spoke with great feeling of Dr. Root, who so long and so ably held the Mathematical professorship.

The whole sermon appealed especially to college men and will undoubtedly not soon be forgotten.

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Trains arrive at Clinton from Utica, 8:55 a. m., 2:40 p. m., 5:24 p. m., 11:50 p. m. From Rome, 8:43 a. m., 5:10 p. m. From South, 7:50 a. m., 11:20 a. m., 2:40 p. m., 6:05 p. m.

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College Notes.

There will be no more practice for the Musical Clubs this term.

—Thirty-six men reported for basket-ball practice on Wednesday.

—H. P. Osborn is now around on crutches at his home in New Hartford.

—The following were on the Hill this week: Sherman, '05, Barrows, '06.

—Today we play the Utica Free Academy football team on our own floor.

—John Manning was deeply interested in a wedding last Sunday. We wish him well.

—Prof. and Mrs. Ebeling will entertain the Sophomore Greek class at their home this evening.

—Jerome, '07, who was absent several weeks on account of his health, has returned to college.

—A guard rail, similar to the one at the Psi U. curve, has been put on the new walk above the Arbor.

—Several upperclassmen who are scheduled for the legal profession have attended sessions of the Gillette murder trial at Herkimer.

—The elective cards for the Senior, Junior and Sophomore classes were given out the first of the week.

—Owing to the pressure of examinations there will be no basket-ball practice after the Utica Free Academy game.

—For the past few weeks, in Prof. White's section of noon chapel, the declamations have been criticised by a Junior.

—The oblong centerpiece in the room of Weekes, '08, threatens to rival in fame the Round Table of King Arthur.

—Of those in the first line-up for the Waterville game four, Kuolt, Wilson, Smith and Welch, were on the football team.

—Cross, '10, has captured the annual honor of being the first one hurt coasting. The sled he was on jumped the rail at the Arbor curve and scraped against a tree, wrenching his ankle.

—One interested in football statistics has figured up thirty college games this season in which there was no score. Rather an interesting commentary on the effects of the new rules.

—Miller, '03, who is studying at the College of Physicians and Surgeons in New York, attended the convention of the Nu Sigma Nu medical fraternity at Syracuse as a delegate. He was on the Hill last week.

—The standing in the Freshman competition for the LIFE board stands for this term as follows: Titus, Glover, McMath, Cross, Engs, Lloyd, Brasted. The figures, especially of the leaders, are very close, and as the competition is just half over, it is still "anyone's race."

—Since the new sidewalk has been laid at the Arbor the fellows seem to be trusting too much to the rail and take the curve at almost full speed. Already a number have jumped the rail at this point. Although no serious accidents have happened so far, it would be wise to take the curve slower and be on the safe side.

—The faculty of the University of Rochester manage the difficult "cut" problem by permitting as many absences from a recitation as there are

hours of reciting in that subject in one week. For each overcut, one-half of one per cent. is deducted from the term standing, and for each unused privilege the same amount is added.

—Those who have been out for the basket-ball team are as follows: Kuolt, Schwartz, Hemenway, Meeker, '07; Fitch, Henderson, Joralemon, Newton, Weeks, Bate, G. Smith, '08; Conklin, Hopkins, Kazenstein, Thomas, Butler, Hatfield, Marriott, Wilson, Welch, Richardson '09; Sherwin, Judson, Deimel, S. R. Hall, Titus, Moore, Wheeler, Cross, Bristol, W. H. Stone, Hastings, McMath, Glover, Baldwin, '10.

Phi Beta Kappa.

This venerable and honorable Society has taken important steps of late to reassert its influence upon the undergraduates and to strengthen the bond of union among its members. The first step is that of electing one-half of the eligible portion of a class at the beginning of Senior year. So many new societies, from the "D. T.'s" to the "Cross and Helmet", have sprung up that the conservative and dignified Phi Beta Kappa is lost sight of and becomes too often one of the regrets and might-have-beens of the graduate. The only entrance to the Phi Beta Kappa is the narrow and strait gate of honorable scholarship, maintained at a strenuous pace for three years like that which is rewarded by four Senior Prize Scholarships in Mathematics, Greek, German and Latin. *Beati possidentes!* But there is still the other eligible group whose names lie still in the lap of the Sphinx. As Prex. says, *ut ad ulteriorem industriam incitamentum sit!*

The other step that Phi Beta Kappa has taken is that of a series of social and literary gatherings that will bring together graduate and undergraduate members. The first meeting was at Prof. Brandt's last Wednesday, when Prof. Fitch read a paper on "Homer and the Historians." Its keen analysis and deep research were appreciated by all, as was shown by the spirited discussion and eager questioning that followed.



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